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DELIVER TO NEA VELIOTIS AT OPENING OF BUSINESS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR PLOS ENRG LY TS US
SUBJECT: TUNISIAN-LIBYAN CONTINENTAL SHELF DISPUTE:
CURRENT STATUS OF DISCUSSIONS IN LONDON

REF: TUNIS 4052

1. EMBOFF CONFIRMED TO THORNTON AT 9:30 LONDON TIME
JUNE 9 THAT WE DO NOT EXPECT TO HAVE A FURTHER
DEPARTMENTAL POSITION UNTIL AFTER DEPT OOENS FOR
BUSINESS TODAY. THORNTON INFORMED EMBOFF THAT
MUNTASSER OF LIBYAN NOC HAD AGREED TO REMAIN IN LONDON
THROUGH NIGHT OF JUNE 9 BUT THORNTON DOUBTED HE WOULD
STAY PAST JUNE 10. THORNTON TEAM HAS BEGUN TO RETURN
TO US, ALTHOUGH THORNTON AND ONE ATTORNEY HILLIN WILL
REMAIN TONIGHT.

2. WITHOUT REFERRING TO OUR TELEGRAPHIC TRAFFIC,
EMBOFF ASKED THORNTON WHEN DRILLING STARTED AND HOW LONG
IT WOULD NORMALLY TAKE. THORNTON REPLIED THAT MAY 27
WAS DAY OPERATIONS EFFECTIVELY STARTED, AND THAT
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NORMALLY IT WOULD TAKE 45 DAYS TO REACH TOTAL DEPTH OF
BETWEEN 10,000 AND 12,000 FEET, AND TOTAL JOB WOULD TAKE
ESTIMATED 60 DAYS.

3. AT 10:00 LONDON TIME THORNTON TOLD EMBOFF MUNTASSER
HAD JUST PHONED HIM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE COUNSELOR OF
THE LIBYAN EMBASSY TO SAY THAT LATTER HAD RECEIVED A

TELEGRAM FROM TRIPOLI REPORTING T/HT LIBYAN-TUNISIAN
MEETING IS STILL IN PROGRESS WITH FAVORABLE OUTLOOK AND
REITERATING THAT TUNISIANS HAVE AGREED TO DRILLING
OPERATIONS PROCEEDING.

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